

Arms recovered in Ctg

CHITTAGONG, July 4. A special team of the Panchalishai police recovered some arms and ammunition from the possession of the autorickshaw passengers at Mohammadpur on Chittagong-Hathajari road here yesterday, reports BSS.

According to a police press release today, on suspicion a police constable on patrol duty challenged an autorickshaw, but the passengers fired on police.

On receipt of the information, a special police contingent led by Assistant Commissioner, Panchalishai zone, came to the spot and passengers tried to flee away. But police

caught hold of them. Later, one foreign revolver, one cut rifle, three powerful cocktails, 12 rounds of revolver bullet, fifteen rounds of cartridge were recovered from their possession, the press release added.

WBI Director meets Jahanara

The visiting Director of World Book International (WBI), USA, Denis B Manning yesterday called on State Minister for Cultural Affairs Professor Jahanara Begum at her office, reports UNB.

WANTED OFFICE EXECUTIVE (FEMALE)

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED FOR THE POST OF OFFICE EXECUTIVE (FEMALE) FOR OUR FACTORY AT TEJGAON DHAKA. THE APPLICANT MUST BE SMART, YOUNG GRADUATE AND SHOULD HAVE EXPERIENCE IN OFFICE WORK, ENGLISH TYPING, PROFICIENCY IN SPOKEN AND WRITTEN ENGLISH IS ESSENTIAL.

APPLICATION ENCLOSING CURRICULUM VITAE AND 2 P.P. SIZE PHOTOGRAPHS AND CONTACT TELEPHONE NUMBER SHOULD REACH THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS BY JULY 12, 94.

ATTRACTIVE SALARY WILL BE OFFERED TO THE DESERVING CANDIDATE.

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SHS SWEATERS LIMITED
127 BARA MAGHBAZAR (GROUND FLOOR) DHAKA-1217

Bangladesh Petroleum Exploration Company Limited (BAPEX) (A Subsidiary Company of Petrobangla)

Material Control Division

HBFC Building (9th Floor), 22, Purana Paltan, Dhaka.

Tender Notice

Dated: 27-6-94

Sealed quotations are hereby invited from the bona fide Suppliers/ Manufacturers/ Distributors on prescribed schedule for supply of Tyre/cube.

Tender schedule containing terms and conditions will be available at our Accounts & Finance Division, Ibrahim Mansion (3rd floor), 11, Purana Paltan, Dhaka during office hours from 12-7-94 at a cost of Tk. 250/- per schedule (Non-refundable). No tender schedule will be sold on the opening date of the tender. Tender in separate sealed cover superscribing the case number and description of goods may be dropped in the tender box kept at Material Control Division, HBFC Building (9th floor), 22, Purana Paltan, Dhaka at 12.00 Noon on 20-7-94 which will be opened on the same day at 12.10 PM in presence of tenderers (if any).

Management reserves the right to accept/reject any or all the tenders and increase/decrease the quantity of the item without assigning any reason whatsoever.

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National Curriculum & Textbook Board Textbook Bhaban

69-70, Motijheel Commercial Area, Dhaka-1000

Re-Tender (Second) Notice for Appointment of Post Landing Quality Test and Inspection Agent

Dated: 27/94

Sealed tenders are hereby invited for appointment of Post Landing Inspection and Testing Agent who will carry out post landing quality test and inspection works at Dhaka of White Offset Paper to be purchased under NORAD GRANT and Canadian CIDA "INDUSTRIAL COMMODITY PROGRAMME" for a period of one year or for the period of delivery of the same whichever is later. The quotation should be submitted on a lump-sum basis on each consignment of 10000 Metric Tons.

Tender schedule may be obtained from Mr Emdadul Haque Pramanik, Deputy Secretary (Admin) of National Curriculum & Textbook Board, 69-70, Motijheel Commercial Area, Dhaka or from Mr S M Mesbahul Islam, Senior Assistant Secretary (Room No 619, Building No 6) of Primary and Mass Education Division, Bangladesh Sachibalya, Dhaka on payment of Tk 500.00 (Taka five hundred) only in the form of Pay Order in favour of "Chairman, National Curriculum & Text Book Board, Dhaka."

The tenders received earlier by the NCTB are hereby cancelled. The participants of previous Tender may submit fresh tender if they so desire.

The Tender must be accompanied with a Bank Draft/Pay Order of Tk 25,000.00 (Taka twenty five thousand) only as Earnest Money in favour of "Chairman, National Curriculum & Text Book Board, Dhaka" without which the tender will be summarily rejected.

Tenders must be dropped in the Tender Box kept on the 4th floor of National Curriculum & Text Book Board, 69-70, Motijheel Commercial Area, Dhaka or in the box kept in Room No 619, Building No 6, Bangladesh Sachibalya, Dhaka on 17.07.1994 up to 11.00 A M and will be opened on the same date at 11.30 A M in presence of tenderers, if any at NCTB. No tender schedule will be sold on the date of opening of the tender.

The successful bidder shall be required to furnish within 10 (ten) days from the date of issuance of Letter of Intent a Security Deposit/Performance Guarantee of Tk 1,00,000.00 (Taka one lac) only which will be released to the tenderer only after the successful completion of the Contract and final adjustment of accounts. The Security Deposit/ Performance Guarantee may be furnished in the form of unconditional Bank Guarantee in favour of "Chairman, National Curriculum & Text Book Board, Dhaka" to be executed by any Scheduled Bank of Bangladesh.

The National Curriculum & Text Book Board reserves the right to accept or reject any bid and to annul the bidding process and reject all bids at any time prior to award of Contract, without thereby incurring any liability on the part of the NCTB to the affected bidder or bidders or any obligation to inform the affected bidder or bidders on the grounds for the NCTB's action.

Secretary

National Curriculum & Text Book Board, Dhaka



Such shanties on either side of railway tracks near Tejgaon in the city expose the dwellers to the constant danger of fatal accidents.

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Farakka causing desertification in north-western region, JS told

Minister for Agriculture, Irrigation and Flood Control Majid-Ul Huq told the Jatiya Sangsads Sunday that the ground water table of vast areas in the country's north-western region had gone down following the adverse effects of Farakka, reports BSS.

Replies to a call attention motion of the Treasury Bench member Abdur Rouf Chowdhury (Kushtia-2), the minister said as a result, desertification process has been noticed in the region.

He said it would not be possible to overcome the situation unless the rightful share of Bangladesh was established on waters of all international rivers, including the Ganges. In this context, he recalled the bilateral talks on the issue with India and the Prime Minister's plea for the solution of the issue in her UN speech in the last session.

The minister dwelt at length on different aspects of

With the installation of the government of Prime Minister

the adverse impact caused to Bangladesh following the unilateral withdrawal of water at Farakka. Expressing his concern, he said if the present trend of water table continues to fall like this, vast tracts of land might cave in. He also referred to the problems of irrigation management during the dry season.

The minister further informed the House that the country's mangrove forest was facing erosion due to increase in salinity in water around the Sundarbans. He said the country was facing economic loss in terms of its forest resources following the rise in salinity in the Sundarbans.

Majid-Ul Huq recalled the five-year water sharing agreement between Bangladesh and India at the initiatives of late President Ziaur Rahman.

He informed the House that the government has no plan to introduce mosque-based adult literacy programmes by the trained Imams.

Begum Khaleda Zia, the matter was given as grants from the revenue budget during 1993-94 fiscal year to five academies engaged in promoting cultural activities. State Minister for Cultural Affairs Prof. Jahanara Begum told the Jatiya Sangsads Sunday, reports BSS.

Replies to a question from Dr AKM Asjad (Rajbari-2), the state minister said the academies are: Bangladesh Shilpkala Academy, Upajatiya Sangskritik Institute, Rangamati, Upajatiya Sangskritik Institute, Bandarban, Upajatiya Cultural Academy, Birishiri, Netrakona and Cox's Bazar Sangskritik Kendra.

The Bangladesh Shilpkala Academy has received the highest grants of Tk 2.85 crore during the period, she said.

Besides, there are 63 zila shilpkala academies at the district levels which were given Tk 3.78 lakh in addition to their budget allocation during the period, the state minister said.

5 cultural academies get Tk 3.55 cr grants

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Information secy visits PID

Information Secretary Dr Ekram Hossain yesterday visited the Press Information Department (PID) after assuming charge of the Ministry of Information, reports UNB.

While exchanging views with the officers Ekram Hossain stressed the need for further strengthening the activities of PID for keeping the people abreast of the developmental activities of the government.

He assured that all efforts would be made to implement PID projects feasible within the limited resources of the government.

He said genuine problems and demands regarding promotion and training abroad of the officers would be given due consideration.

Information Secretary asked the officers to maintain discipline and punctuality to make PID more effective.

Earlier, Principal Information Officer (PID) Abdur Rahim apprised the Secretary of the activities of the department, said a PID handout yesterday.

Leather export earning Tk 1664 cr

Commerce Minister Shamsul Islam Sunday informed the Jatiya Sangsads that the country had earned Tk 1664.04 crore through export of leather and hides of cattle and goat from January 1, 1991 to 1993, reports BSS.

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Prof M Shamsul Huq (sitting second from left) was present as chief guest at the 19th installation ceremony of the Rotary Club of Gulshan held at the Sonargaon Hotel in the city yesterday.

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DMFEG elections

By Staff Correspondent

The biennial elections to the executive committee of the Dhaka Metropolitan Film Exhibitors' Group (DMFEG) will be held on August 7 next.

The decision was taken after the academy was informed of the fact that a move to update the organisation's rules and regulations is at the final stage, said a press release.

The meeting also finalised the election schedule. The final voters' list will be announced on July 16 and the nomination papers will be received until July 25. The last date for withdrawal of candidates is July 27, while the final list of the candidates will be published July 28, said a press release.

Workshop for Imams

By Staff Correspondent

Speakers at a workshop in the city yesterday stressed the role of Imams of the mosques in awaring the people of the menacing effects of drugs.

The Green Leaf Campaign, a voluntary youth organisation, organised the workshop at the Imam Training Academy of the Islamic Foundation. BFUJ president Gias Khanal Choudhury inaugurated the workshop which was also addressed by the Islamic Foundation Director General Daud-uz-Zaman Chowdhury, Assistant Director General of Narcotics Control Syed Muniruddin, director of the Imam Training Academy Farid Uddin Masud and Shahjahan Kabir from the parents group. Green Leaf Campaign president Md. Golam Mostafa presided.

The forum having 13 members was formed at a general meeting of the BTW camera men (Programme and News) held with Golam Mostafa in the chair.

Bangla Academy

By Staff Correspondent

The executive council of the Bangla Academy at its special meeting on Sunday decided to suspend the academy's present electoral process.

The decision was taken after the academy was informed of the fact that a move to update the organisation's rules and regulations is at the final stage, said a press release.

The installation ceremony of Rotary Club of Cosmopolitan of Dhaka was held Sunday at a local hotel, said a press release.

Nazrul research award

By Staff Correspondent

Dr Saikat Asgar